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ASPECTS

1. SUMMARY: GENERAL ZIA DELIVERED LONG-AWAITED ADDRESS
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TO THE NATION JUNE 25 CARRIED BY RADIO AND TV THROUGHOUT
PAKISTAN. INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS PORTION OF ADDRESS WAS
SECONDARY TO DOMESTIC CONSIDERATIONS (REPORTED SEPTELS) BUT
WAS WIDE-RANGING. HIGHLY PREDICTABLE REMARKS AIMED PRIMARILY
AT REGIONAL ISSUES WITH EMPHASIS ON PAK/INDIAN RELATIONS AND TACIT
WARNINGS TO NEW AFGHAN REGIME THAT MISCHIEF ON POTENTIAL EXPLOSIVE
BORDER ISSUES WILL NOT BE TOLERATED. PAK/US RELATIONS

DESCRIBED AS CLOSE WITH REPROCESSING BEING ONLY DIVISIVE ISSUE. END SUMMARY.

2. IN HIS IMPORTANT SPEECH ON JUNE 25, CHIEF MARTIAL LAW ADMINISTRATOR (CMLA) GENERAL ZIA UL-HAQ TOUCHED ON A NUMBER OF FOREIGN POLICY ISSUES OF NOTE, REITERATING AND UPDATING HIS GOVERNMENT'S VIEWS IN MAY AREAS, AND IN THE CASE OF AFGHAN-PAKISTAN RELATIONS, LAYING DOWN A SLIGHTLY TOUGHGER POLICY LINE ALONG SIDE THE EXISTING OLIVE BRANCH. --GOP FOREIGN POLICY BASIS: ZIA STATED THE FOREIGN POLICY OF HIS GOVERNMENT IS AND WILL CONTINUE TO BE BASED ON THE FIVE PRINCIPLES

OF PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE: NON-INTERFERENCE IN INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF OTHER

STATES; RESPECT FOR SOVEREIGNTY; SOLUTION OF PROBLEMS THROUGH PEACEFUL MEANS; NON-ALIGNMENT AND; NON-AGGRESSION.

--AFGHANISTAN: AS WAS TO BE EXPECTED, GENERAL ZIA DIRECTED A LARGE PORTION OF HIS INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS REMARKS TO PAK/AFGHAN AFFAIRS. HE STATED GOP HAS "DEEP INTEREST IN THE CONSOLIDATION OF AFGHANISTAN AND THE PROGRESS OF ITS PEOPLE." ZIA RECALLED HIS EARLY MESSAGE TO PRIME MINISTER TARAKI ASSURING THE NEW AFGHAN REGIME THE GOP CONSIDERED THE COUP AN INTERNAL AFGHAN AFFAIR AND EXPRESSING THE PAKISTANI PEOPLES' GOODWILL. ZIA REITERATED THE FIVE PRINCIPALS OF PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE AND STATED THAT THE GOP WOULD OBSERVE THESE SCRUPULOUSLY AND, SIGNIFICANTLY, HE SAID HE EXPECTS THE AFGHAN REGIME TO DO THE SAME. IN HIS MOST POINTED STATEMENT,

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ZIA SAID: "IF ANYONE TRIED TO INTERFERE IN PAKISTAN'S INTERNAL AFFAIRS

CONTRARY TO OUR EXPECTATIONS, IT WOULD NOT BE TOLERATED AT ALL."

--PRC: THE RECENTLY CONCLUDED VISIT OF PRC VICE PREMIER KENG PIAO UNDERLINES THE "STRENGTHENED TIES" BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES EXEMPLIFIED BY THE PRC QLEDGE OF FULL SUPPORT FOR PAKISTAN'S POLITICAL

INTEGRITY IN THE FACE OF HEGEMONY AND IMPERIALISM, ZIA SAID.

--US RELATIONS/REPROCESSING: CMLA STATED THAT RELATIONS WITH US ARE "CLOSE" DUE TO IDENTITY OF VIEWS BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES ON MAINTEN-

ANCE OF PEACE IN REGION. ONLY "DIFFERENCE OF OPINION" NOW IS AMERICA'S

OPPOSITION TO PAK ACQUISITION OF NUCLEAR REPROCESSING CAPACITIES. GEN ZIA REITERATED THAT PAK INTEREST IN REPROCESSING LIMITED TO PEACEFUL USES WITH "APPROPRIATE INTERNATIONAL SAFEGUARDS" AND THAT "THE

ACQUISITION OF THE REPROCESSING PLANT SIGNIFIES INDEPENDENCE OF THE COUNTRY AND NO PAKISTAN GOVERNMENT, PRESENT OR FUTURE, CAN ABANDON THE PROJECT."

--INDIA/PAK RELATIONS: THE GENERAL SAID GOODWILL AND UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES IS "ON THE INCREASE" SINCE THE EXCHANGE OF VISITS EARLIER THIS YEAR OF THE INDIAN FOREIGN MINISTER AND FOREIGN ADVISOR AGHA SHAHI. ZIA CAUTIONED, HOWEVER, THE "THE KASHMIR DISPUTE IS THE MAIN HURDEL TO AMITY AND HARMONY BETWEEN THE TWO" AND OFFERED NO CLUE WHEN OR WHERE THAT ISSUE MIGHT BE DISCUSSED.

--MIDDLE EAST: ZIA STATED HIS GOVERNMENT'S INTENTION TO PROMOTE HARMONY WITHALL NATIONS AND ESPECIALLY WITH BROTHER ISLAMIC REGIMES. HE SINGLED OUT SAUDI ARABIA IN RECALLING THE WARM RECEPTION HE RECEIVED THERE ON HIS RECENT VISIT. HE FOLLOWED THIS STATEMENT WITH A BOILERPLATE CALL FOR A JUST PEACE IN THE ME, URGING ISRAELI WITHDRAWAL

FROM ALL OCCUPIED TERRITORIES INCLUDING JERUSALEM.

--MISCELLANEOUS: GENERAL ZIA EXPENDED A FEW SENTENCES PRAISING THE "DEEP ROOTED" TIES WITH TURKEY AND IRAN WHICH HE SAID WERE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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GAINING "FURTHER STRENGTH WITH THE PASSAGE OF TIME." HE MENTIONED NEITHER CENTO NOR THE UK, BUT RETURNING TO REGIONAL ISSUES, HE SAID THE

GOP HAS "KEEN INTEREST" IN PROMOTION OF BROTHERLY RELATIONS WITH BANGLADESH. FINALLY, HE UNDERScoreD PAKISTAN'S SUPPORT TO THE "STRUGGLING PEOPLE OF AFRICA." HUMMEL

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